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RMT AGENTS AUTIVE IN NORTHEAST USE COVER OF RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

Shen-yang, 6 August (ECNA) -- Recent developments in various parts of the Northeest indicate that KMT special agents have been using feudalistic religious organizations to further their aims, especially in fomenting armed uprisings. Recently, public security authorities have discovered ten or more such instances involving religious organizations in Shen-yang, Liao-yang, Kai-p'ing, Chien-hai, Ying-k ou, and other places in this area. The China Orthodox Society / possibly Mohammedan / at T'ung-hua is also involved. All of these reactionary organizations, appear as feudalistic religious organizations, but are actually under the control of KMT special agents, carrying out antirevolutionary activities.

The religious activity section of the Ta-tiung Buddhist association in Shenyang was organized by Li Han-so, chief of the Northeast District of the Central [INT] Control Bureau (chung-t'ung chu). Section Chief Yin Fu-haiang was a member of the Central Planning Commission (chung-t'ung she-chi wei-yuan-hui) and concurrently a momber of the executive committee of the Shen-wang and Chieng-chiun KMf party headquarters for the Hun Ho District. He and his fellow committeemen, Wang Yeh-kuei and others, are directors or standing committeemen of the Shen-yang Ta-t'ung Buddhist Society, They also organized the Liao-yang religious activities subsection. The leader of this subsection, Han Li-fu, and Members Li Wei-i, Yang Yu-uin and others were all Central Government special agents.

The Lai-p'ing Benevolent Buddhist Society was also controlled by special agents of the IMT. The chief of the society, Liu Yen-hang, was a KMT special agent. He and Kuo Chung-kuang, chairman of the board of directors, were secretaries of the Ch'ang-pao News Agency, specially organized in the Northeast by the Secrets-Preservation Bureau (pao mi chu) of the KMT National Defense Ministry. They termed themselves teachers of Buddhism, but sucretly instructed in reactionary teachings. They also urged Youth Association (ch'ing-nien hui) members to join the so-called Religious Army for the Suppression of Rebellion and for Mational Salvation.

Certain feudalistic religious organizations such as the I-kuei Tao and the Hungchiang Ruei (Honorable Way and Red Spear Societies) in Chien-hai Haien, Jehol, were under the control of Liu Wen-tou, the chief secretary of the Chien-hai Raien KMT party

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organization, Sung K'ung-chang, member of the standing committee, and other special agents. The plans of these leaders to incite an insurrection among 70 villages on the border of Chien-hai and Ning-ch'eng haiens in Ayril 1949 were discovered and they were captured before their plans could be fulfilled. The reactionary leadership of these superstitious organizations continually cause false rumors, extortion of the people's wealth, seduction of vomen, hindrance to production, and destruction of communications. There is no evil they will not commit.

A recent editorial in the <u>Tung-pei Jih-pao</u> stated that the control and use of these feudalistic organizations by <u>KMT</u> special agents for destructive purposes has become an outstanding feature. They enroll landlords caught in the struggles of land reform, wealthy farmers and roving bandits, as prominent members of these feudalistic societies, and take advantage of the superstitions of the masses to deceive them into joining. Judging from their organization and activities, these feudalistic organizations have long ceased to be religious societies and have become merely tools of the <u>KMT</u> special agents.

"As for ordinary religious organizations," the editorial continued, "if they obey the laws of the People's Government and refrain from engaging in seditious activities, the People's Government will permit them to continue and to exercise their religious freedom. However, eny religious organization that permits itself to be used by imperialists and KMT special agents, or engages, under cover of a religious front, in the destructive activities of the special agents, will be rigorously prohibited and restrained by the authorities."

The editorial set forth the policies of the People's Government toward the management of these feudalistic accieties by saying that the People's Government wanted to deal according to law with all those leaders and prominent members of these societies who willingly lend themselves to the nofarious activities of American imperialists and KMT agents. As for the great bulk of citizens who have ignorantly been snared in these organizations, the government should educate them to understand the political implications of these feudalistic societies and withdraw from them. If they do so, the government will extend leniency to them.

Finally, the editorial called upon all the people of the Northeast to arouse themselves, become aware of the schemes of the KMT special agents, and pledge themselves to support increase in production and recontruction.

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